



LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RCD

April 7, 2009 Time: 7:00PM

I. Call to Order and Roll Call – Marty called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

Board Members Present

Marty Portner	– President	Steve Larry	– Vice President
Herb Hill	– Secretary	Glenn Baldwin	– Member at Large

Board Members Absent

Betty Lou Finn – Member at Large

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Farewell to Board Member Herb Hill – Marty thanked Herb for the hundreds of hours of work that he did for the RCD during his 5-year term and presented him with a plaque of appreciation and a gift certificate to dinner. Herb said that he enjoyed his time on the board, working with a lot of different board members and the tremendous volunteer base that the community has.

IV. Motion to Approve Agenda - Glenn motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of M. Motion to Approve Payment of \$600 to Wes's Tree Service for Snow Removal and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-01]

V. Motion to Approve the 2/03/2009, 3/3/2009 and 3/7/2009 Minutes – The board took a five minute recess to allow Herb to review the February 3 minutes. Glenn motioned to approve the February 3 minutes and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion by roll-call vote with Steve abstaining from the vote. [04-09-02] Steve motioned to approve the March 2, 2009 minutes and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes by roll-call vote with Glenn abstaining from the vote. [04-09-03]

VI. Review and Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report – \$201.80 to the sign shop for boat decals and aluminum phosphorus free community signs; Jadeco - \$805.78 for February; Security - \$468.90; Office supplies - \$217.25; Accounting - \$135 for end of year W-2's and review of paperwork that Becky submits; Legal - \$125; Federal and state wage taxes; Sauk Valley News for E. Boat Landing Bid. One the budget vs. actual report, Steve would like to see the Over Budget column changed to Variance and to show it in parenthesis if it is over budget and to leave it as the dollar amount if it is positive. Becky said that she would see what she could do. Marty said that he would like to see the treasurer's reports sooner and Becky suggested that she can send a mid-month check register report so that the board members can see sooner what expenditures have been paid out up to that point. Steve suggested that as directors they should make sure that they let Becky know if their computer is down and they don't get the reports that she sends. Herb asked if they will be getting a monthly security report and Marty said that he gets them and has a file of them and needs to review them and get them to the office. Steve agreed that he would like to hear what issues affect the RCD. Glenn motioned to approve the treasurer's report and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-04]

VII. New Business

A. Open Bids for 2009 East Boat Landing Riprap Project – Becky put the notice to bid in the Dixon Telegraph. The RCD received three bids for the project – Nordman Excavating - \$29,700, Phoenix Corporation - \$35,505 and Fischer Excavating - \$10,199.89. Glenn motioned to accept the bid for the 2009 East Boat Landing Riprap Project from Fischer Excavating for \$10,199.89, pending verification from Jerry Sellers that the bid follows the bid specifications for 500' of shoreline and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-05] Mike Robinson asked

the board to send a copy of Fischer's information if the RCD approves the bid so that the POA can contact them to coordinate the work that they need to do on their property with what the RCD is doing.

B. Marty Portner - Motion to Pass Resolution 01-2009, Shoreline Stabilization – The resolution that Marty has proposed regards the rules that would go into place for the shoreline stabilization program that the RCD will embark on summer and fall of 2009. The exact text of the document has been approved by the RCD's attorney and the last item to be done to complete it is described in item 8 of the resolution which states that the property owner would sign a contract with the RCD covering assignment of liabilities – one of these Saturdays, Marty will work that out with the attorney and any other party that the attorney thinks is relevant– anyone is welcome to come with him to work on that. That contract will accompany a package that is going to the shoreline owners and they will be required to sign it before they can participate in the rebate program. The attorney said that there would be no problem in amending the resolution in the future. Ron Mangini asked if the resolution impacts the shoreline owners at all and Marty said yes, it will be the rules of the game. Ron said that as a shoreline owner, he would like to know what they are voting on before they vote on it. Marty read Resolution 01-2009-Shoreline Stabilization aloud (see Attachment 1). Mike said that there is nothing in the resolution indicating who is eligible for the program in relation to who does and does not pay taxes. Marty confirmed this. Mike asked if the POA, who are going to stabilize their shoreline, going to be eligible too and Marty said no. Marty asked the other board members whether they think that that should be added to the resolution, because they can make an amendment if they want and Steve responded that it muddies the waters somewhat and that it has been discussed in several meetings and is in the record. Glenn added that the resolution is well done. Glenn motioned to pass Resolution 01-2009, Shoreline Stabilization and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-06]

C. Steve Larry - Motion to Adjust FY08-09 Budget to Print and Mail Phosphorus Brochure – up to \$900 for Printing and \$250 for Postage – As the next step to the RCD's educational campaign to keep Lost Lake phosphorus free, Steve directed Becky to take an existing Lake County brochure and modify it to pertain to the Clear Creek Watershed. She is also sending out a letter from Steve to all the lawn service providers and nurseries in the area to make them aware of the RCD's goal to become phosphorus free. Glenn motioned to approve the expenditure of up to \$900 for printing and \$250 for postage to mail out the brochure and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. Mike asked why they couldn't mail the brochure in with the newsletter at the bulk mail rate because inserts are not allowed under that permit number. The cost to mail the brochure along with the newsletter would have been .84 a piece, which is significantly more than what it will cost to just mail the brochure. Herb asked what the cost difference between printing them in black and white vs. color and Becky said that black and white costs around \$88 to print 1000 double-sided brochures vs. \$500 for 1000 color glossy brochures. Marty said that there have been a lot of marketing studies that have shown that when you send someone something that is in color, it has more value to them psychologically and that person is much less likely to throw it in the garbage.

D. Becky Breckenfelder - Motion to Pass Resolution 02-2009, Preparation of Tentative FY2009-2010 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Glenn motioned to pass resolution 02-2009, preparation of tentative FY2008-2009 Budget and Appropriation Ordinance and Steve seconded the motion. Glenn withdrew the motion and motioned to approve it with the change of date to FY2009-2010. Steve seconded the motion and the board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-07]

E. Steve Larry - Motion to approve Mick Kazmerski Dock Permit and Approve Mark & Sandy Walsh Application to Install Boat Ramp – Steve walked the properties and he pre-approved them and recommends that the board approves them. Marty asked Steve to explain the Walsh project. Steve said that Mark and Sandy Walsh want to put a skid up to pull his boat on instead of pulling it up by hand; he would put a winch and post with the understanding that at some point they will riprap that and so he will have to take it out and put it back in and he is okay with that. Glenn motioned to approve the Dock Permit submitted by Mick Kazmerski and the Boat Ramp Request submitted by Mark and Sandy Walsh and Herb seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-08]

F. Motion to Lower Travel Reimbursement from .585 to .55 a mile – Steve recommended lowering the travel reimbursement rate from .585 to .55 to stay in line with the federal guidelines and that in the future, Becky keep track of the current rate and adjust it accordingly, without need of a board vote. Steve motioned to amend the travel reimbursement to stay in line with federal guidelines for travel reimbursement and to change whenever that changes and Glenn seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-09]

G. Motion to Renew Mowing Contract with ULLPOA – Glenn motioned to renew the mowing contract with the ULLPOA per the contract and using the RCD's mower at \$8.25 an hour and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-10] 1:04

H. Herb Hill - Motion to Pay Supreme Cleaners \$756.50 for LCC Carpet – Herb motioned to pay Supreme Cleaners \$756.50 for cleaning of the LCC main room and library carpet and clean and scotch guard the furniture and Steve seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-11]

I. Glenn Baldwin – Ferry to Connect the Two Sides of the Community – Glenn explained his idea of connecting the two sides of the community between Lakeside Park and the property across from it with a ferry system. He would contact the property owner of the potential site to find out if there is a possibility of the RCD doing this. The proposed ferry could either accommodate golf carts or be smaller to only accommodate bicycles and pedestrians. The cable would be installed to the two docks with two piles placed in the water high enough to allow boats through and an electric motor with a protective shell would be installed to power the cable. There would be controls on both sides of the lake and on the raft and as a safety precaution, the raft would have metal railings on the front and back that would have to be engaged in order for the power to work. The power would be controlled by a coin-operated receptacle – Glenn suggested a .50 charge one-way so that a person could visit and return for one dollar. This would keep users from abusing the privilege. He predicts that several thousand dollars could be generated which could be used for upkeep and to help pay for the project. The initial cost of the project could be paid for by the RCD, ULLPOA, private donations, and a fund raiser. As part of his RCD responsibility, Glenn would manage the project. He feels that it would be attractive and a nice addition to the development. Glenn said that if the board thinks that it is worth pursuing, he would do it. Marty said that they had talked about putting a bridge in and it gets pretty costly and they would probably have to get the Army Corps of Engineers involved since it is a public lake, however, this is a downsized version of the dream and he thinks the idea has merit. Steve said that they would need stability and that they should look at the liability, what exposure they would have and whether they would need additional insurance to cover something like it. Glenn said that if they decided to move forward with it that would be one of the things that they would check. Marty told Glenn that he should pursue it since it doesn't cost anything to do so, however, that he should find out if it would affect any on their stabilization work or will there be an issue when they lower the lake. Glenn said that the way that the cable is attached to the raft could be stationary yet flexible down to the dock. Harold Stromberger brought up the liability issue if someone was to fall off of it and drown and Glenn said that they would have to look at that. Dennis Cantrell said that he should find out if something like this already exists and see how it was done. Herb said that Glenn's idea has merit; they definitely need something to connect the two sides of the community for safety's sake and for the convenience of the community, however, he wouldn't vote for anything like that until that get a new parking lot at the LCC.

J. Tim Spelde – Swim/Fishing Platform – Tim wanted the RCD to be aware of the swim platform at the dam and that it has become an eyesore – he was wondering if the RCD had plans to fix it. A few years ago they converted it into a dock for insurance reasons, although it is covered under the insurance to be used as a swim platform. Tim said that it might be good to use the swim platform at the North Beach to enhance the aesthetics of the beach and to build an actual dock or fishing platform at the dam to replace it. Tim wants to know if the board would like to entertain some proposals for some additional docks and he would like to bring up the long-term asset management of the docks as far as using the plastic lumber vs. treated lumber so that they don't have the maintenance and upkeep of them. If they are willing, he would get some proposals to bring back to the board. Regardless, he would like to know what the board's plan is for the platform because it is cockeyed right now. Marty said that they were going to address it the same way they were addressing everyone's private dock, on a one by one basis. Steve said that he agrees that it is an eyesore and personally, he wouldn't put it out there for kids to play on because kids will get hurt on it; he'd rather see them pull it out and junk it or set it aside for a future project but not maintain it the way it is. If it is a good fishing area and it needs a dock, to entertain a proposal to put a dock in. Herb suggested that they fix the platform up so that it is no longer an eyesore and so that it is more stable so that it can continue to be used as a temporary solution until they can get a dock built there. Glenn said that he has a contractor who can fix it and he will decide whether it can be fixed or should be replaced.

K. RCD Projector Usage – The RCD has a projector that can be hooked up to a laptop or a DVD or blue ray player. It is for anyone in the district to use and Marty proposes that they allow the same kind of contract as the building where entities such as the Social Committee, Senior Focus, ULLPOA, LLUD, and

LMC, can use it for free and once they have had some experience with renting it out to those groups, then they could consider renting it to a private property for perhaps a \$50 deposit and the going rates for renting something like that.

L. Gullies Near West Beach and Lakeside Drive – Glenn said that there were two questions brought up at the March 7th meeting and he volunteered to look into it. It appears that someone put in a little silt basin in on Lakeside Drive using barriers to keep the silt from going down in there put the water is flowing over it. Charlie Moore said that they are addressing the issue and it will be removed. Near the West Beach, there is a gully and although it is an eyesore due to the vegetation that is growing on it, he hesitates doing anything because the vegetation stabilizes the gully going into the lake. Steve suggested that Glenn have Joe Rush look at it to see if it needs to be addressed or if it is fine the way it is.

M. Motion to Approve Payment of \$600 to Wes's Tree Service for Snow Removal – Steve motioned to approve the payment of \$600 to Wes's Tree Service for Snow Removal and Glenn seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-12]

VIII. Old Business

A. Survey - Tabled

VIII. Employee / Committee / Consultant Reports

A. Jerry Sellers –

LMC/VLMP - Jerry said that they had an LMC meeting last Saturday and the VLMP members are ready to start the lake testing. He thanked Glenn for installing the motor on the boat for them.

Goose Control - Frank Durkin has organized a group to initiate the goose program – he is in charge of the west side while Jerry is in charge of the east side.

Cattle upstream of Flagg Road Silt Basin - Jerry spoke with Bill Kleiman about the back of the Silt Basin – the fence at the back of the silt basin is down across the creek, which would allow cattle to come into the silt basin, although Jerry didn't see any cattle out there. The person that had cattle there no longer has cattle there at this time.

Clean-up Day - The RCD should talk to Charlie Moore about any tasks that they would like accomplished by the volunteers during clean-up day. There are trees down in the water in the shallow areas – the fishing club usually uses grappling hooks to remove them.

Fencing to Protect Aquatic Vegetation – One of the reasons why they have been unsuccessful in getting vegetation to grow in the lake is because animals have been eating the young plants. Jerry saw an article in the Illinois Conservation Magazine that showed fencing to protect the plants so they are going to try that.

Dredging Program – They sent out a letter asking different engineering firms to give them a statement of qualification to design a potential dredging program for the RCD.

Silt Basin at Schings Park – During a presentation given on the viability of creating a silt basin at Schings Park, two different engineering firms said that there was insufficient room there to install one that would take enough sediment out to be cost effective. They are now looking at other possible areas upstream.

B. Grant Program Update – Steve said that they are starting to make some headway on the leftover funds from the 319 grant; the EPA is taking it to the next level. They have been told that the EPA is going to submit their proposal among others for a total amount of \$70,000 that could come to the RCD for planning purposes – of which the RCD would be responsible for 40% or \$28,000. We may seem some funds for that to help pay Rebecca, Joe Rush, and possibly some engineering work that they are working at. They are also writing a grant to coincide with the EPA's August 1st deadline for more 319 funds for things like designing and creating the silt basin and managing wetlands.

Watershed Planning Committee– On April 1st they met with other landowners within the watershed and they have the semblance of a watershed planning committee that will not be run by the RCD, rather they will be participants with Steve as the RCD's representative. Rebecca Olson and the NRCS will help facilitate it. The first organization session will be at the end of June.

IX. Guest Comments -

Mike Robinson – Mike asked if grinder pumps usually have an alarm on them that goes off when it malfunctions and Marty said yes. Mike commented that if the RCD is paying for security they should have a security report read off at the meetings, even if they don't mention names, for example, if something happened at the LCC or the burn pile. Regarding shoreline stabilization 01-2009 – Mike feels that when the RCD passed the resolution, it should have said that if property owners do not pay taxes to the RCD they will not be eligible for the rebate.

Tim Spelde – Tim needs the number of the carp fisherman to get a quote on removing the carp from Lost Lake. Tim would like to be put on the agenda of a future meeting for potentially moving the burn pile.

Charlie Moore – Charlie said that they own a dock on Park Drive Park and he wondered if the RCD would accept liability for it otherwise they would take it out. The RCD has an agreement with the POA that they take care of the boat racks only, not the boat dock. Steve asked Charlie if he thought the residents who have their boats there might get upset if they take the dock out and Charlie said that he is concerned about the cost of liability insurance on it. Marty said that the RCD doesn't want to take responsibility for it and if the POA wants to take it out because it is a liability concern then that is their choice. Glenn said that he has a contractor coming in to repair docks and if they want him to look at their dock too to let him know and he can have him fix it and keep the bill separate.

X. Motion to Adjourn Meeting – Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:19PM and Glenn seconded the motion. The board approved the motion unanimously by roll-call vote. [04-09-13] **Next Regular Meeting: May 5, 2009**

April 7 Motion List

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Attachment 1

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE LOST NATION-NEW LANDING RIVER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
NO. 01-2009 Shoreline Stabilization**

WHEREAS, the Lost Nation/New Landing River Conservancy District of Illinois (RCD) is charged with the duty of maintaining and improving the water quality of Lost Lake and its watershed,

WHEREAS, the RCD recognizes the contribution that all unstabilized lake shoreline makes to the detriment of the Lake,

WHEREAS, the RCD has the responsibility to engage property owners, both public and private, in the process of ongoing improvement of the water quality of Lost Lake,

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED that the RCD will engage the shoreline property owners of Lost Lake in a program to identify, assess and propose stabilization solutions on a per-property basis and in accordance with generally accepted, RCD approved stabilization techniques. The program will have the following general elements:

1. Participation in the program will be voluntary on the part of the property owner.
2. The RCD will assist the property owners in the choice of stabilization technique that is appropriate for their particular section of shoreline. This assistance will include engineering and other professional assessments at no cost to the property owner.
3. The RCD will provide summarized and detailed Standard Operating Procedures for the accomplishment of the stabilization project at no cost to the property owner.
4. The property owner and the RCD will share the cost of labor and materials to complete the implementation. The RCD will be responsible for 50% of the shoreline footage per lot. In addition, the RCD contribution will be capped according to the prevailing per-foot rate for shoreline stabilization construction. This rate will be established according to similar projects previously completed by the RCD. The RCD contribution will come in the form of a rebate once the work is completed and passes inspection by the RCD.
5. All stabilization installations will be subject to the final approval of the RCD.
6. Property owner will be responsible for ongoing maintenance of the installation. Installations that fall out of compliance will require remediation at the property owner's expense.
7. In accordance with the law, the RCD will assure that all applicable rules for the procurement of services to complete the stabilization projects will be adhered to.
8. Property owner will be required to sign a contract covering assignment of liabilities during the construction period.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2009.

Martin Portner, President

Steven Larry, Vice- President

Herb Hill, Secretary

Betty Lou Finn, Member at Large

Glenn Baldwin, Member at Large